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Student Milo Hunter browses through reproductions of famous paintings sold on the ground floor of the Center. The sale

was sponsored by the Jewish Activist Front. (photo by Martha Howison)

Student Ct. Sets Limit On Effect Of ISS Exec Committee's Resolution

by Art Harris
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Student Court ruled in a unanimous, precedent-setting decision yesterday that a resolution passed by the executive committee of the International Students' Society (ISS) cannot speak for the 400 members of the organization. The Court did permit a modified version of the politically-oriented resolution passed last semester to stand,

despite arguments that it violated the ISS constitution.

The Court ordered the resolution changed from "The International Students' Society as represented by the Executive Committee..." to "The Executive Committee of the International Students' Society seeks to welcome and support the following moves..."

The rest of the resolution, which supported an independent state for Palestinians, called on Arab oil-producing nations to disperse their wealth among less-developed countries, and welcomed the ouster of South Africa from the United Nations General Assembly, was left unchanged by the Court.

ISS president and executive board member Sayed A. Azimi told the *Hatchet* that the executive committee "achieved our minimum objective" through the resolution even though it was altered by the Court. Azimi added that "a democratically elected executive committee represents its membership" despite what the Court says.

Bert Rosenheck, the ISS member who took the case to Court, was "gratified that the case was accepted [for decision]." However, Rosenheck added that he "would have preferred that the Court had let the resolution stand for the signers rather than the executive committee of the ISS as such. Rosenheck also said he was "satisfied that the modifications do not commit the members who do not agree with the resolution."

The conflict over the resolution, which began last November when the resolution was passed, now appears ended, although there is a possibility for appeal. To be eligible for appeal, the case would have to be resubmitted to the court by April 2.

In the event an appeal is granted, the case could not be heard by the Student Court again, but would go to the Student-Faculty

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Rejects Deadline

Convention Reviews Cmte. Reports

by Joye Brown
Asst. News Editor

Delegates to the constitutional convention began hearing preliminary committee reports this week, and decided not to accept a proposal by the Steering Committee which called for an April 1 deadline for submission of all reports to the Drafting Committee.

"I think it's more important that we take the time to make a good constitution for student government, than try to run the thing through," said delegate Gregory King. Some delegates expressed a desire to work during the summer, but the full convention is expected to outline some new plan or timetable for completion at its next session Monday.

Delegates heard reports from the Scopes and Powers, Student Rights and Grievances, and Legislative Committees Monday and Tuesday nights. All reports will be brought before the convention for discussion and debate before they go back to the committees for further research and consideration.

"By doing it this way, committees will at least know how the whole convention feels about their proposals, and interrelated committees will know how to combine or reconcile differences in their reports," Jackie Jones said.

In its written report, the Student Rights and Grievances Committee suggested that a Committee on Financial Affairs be established by the student government when it is formed, to "review and report to students on all matters of financial interest concerning the students."

While many agreed, some delegates said that to create a financial affairs committee and write it into the constitution would hurt possibilities of having students examine University financial records themselves.

"We need the right [to examine financial records], but I think it would be more amenable to the Board of Trustees if we could

guarantee that we are not proposing that just any student look at the books, but that someone responsible do it," one delegate said after the meeting.

The committee also suggested that:

- an ombudsman be elected by the student body "to act on the grievances" of students,
- a student member be added to the Board of Trustees, and
- a system be established to evaluate professors and courses.

Most of the discussion concerning the Legislative Committee's report centered around its proposal for a process for nominating students to the Assembly. The committee recommended that candidates who obtained the signatures of at least 50 students would become student government representatives.

The system, according to committee member Mark Brodsky, "is more democratic," because students who sign petitions would become involved in the government. He pointed out that the committee had also

recommended that delegates "consult with their constituents [those signing their petition] at least monthly to determine student views on upcoming questions."

Other delegates contended that petitioning for seats on the government would cause more problems than it would solve. The best system, they held, would be to have representation apportioned among University groups.

At the Monday night session six delegates went on record as having voted no-confidence in chairman John Denick at last week's executive session. The convention also voted not to accept the resignations of treasurer Tim Ranney and administrative assistant Rick Reno.

Ranney said he had been approached "by some people and asked to come back" because "there is still a lot of anti-Denick sentiment and they think I can balance it out because my views are not similar to his." He said he will continue to serve at the convention.

Reno could not be reached for comment.

Fisher Praises Congress' Liberalization; Says Econ Crisis Will Require Changes

by John Buckman
Hatchet Staff Writer

Freshman Congressman Joseph L. Fisher (D-Va), a former GW economics professor, told a gathering of College Young Democrats Monday night that "significant change" has taken place in the Congress that will "reverse a trend that had been moving for 60 years, under which the power of the House was placed in the Committee, and more in the chairmen, who had inherited their power."

Fisher spoke before about 30 people in a joint meeting of GW and Georgetown universities College Young Democrat chapters.

Fisher taught Energy Resources and Policy as an adjunct professor of economics here before defeating 11-term incumbent Joel Broyhill last November. Fisher said Broyhill had "outlived his time."

Fisher said, "We Democrats really had a big win" after last November's Congressional elections in which about 70 new Democrats were elected to the House. According to Fisher, "The situation was ripe and ready and

relatively easy" in the Watergate backlash. "This was a vintage year," he said.

The freshman Congressmen have "reduced the heavy wet blanket effect of seniority. We challenged this, and unseated three major committee chairmen. We got the message out" to other committee chairmen, "to run their committees democratically," he declared.

Fisher also said that his position on the House Ways and Means Committee has given him "unusual visibility." He said the committee is presently working on an "alternative program" to President Ford's proposed energy/economic programs.

"The chairman has set a schedule, and we will report the bill out of committee by April 17th," Fischer said. President Ford recently criticized Congress for moving too slowly in considering his proposals.

Fisher also said the current economic situation will require great changes in lifestyles on the part of the American people. However, he added, "I don't know if the American people, old and young, have it in them to do this."



Rep. Joseph Fisher
"significant change" in Congress

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Say Buddy, Can You Spare George A Dime...

by Jane McHugh
Hatchet Staff Writer

If George called you and asked for money, would you give him any? According to those participating in the George Calling telethon, many GW alumni have, despite the current financial recession.

George Calling is a nation-wide telethon run by the Development Office's Annual Support Fund, which handles fund-raising requests to faculty, staff, alumni and business and community groups. Volunteer students, faculty and staff members have been phoning Washington area alumni since March 17 and will continue through April 10.

The funds are used to help offset tuition costs, to purchase books for the libraries and to provide scholarships and loan programs.

There are about 25,000 alumni in the D.C. area alone, plus thousands more scattered throughout 20 other metropolitan areas. The telethon's goal this year of \$1.5 million is the highest ever, a \$250,000 increase over the 1974 target.

Although the recession has worsened since last spring, Director of Alumni Support Ron Howard said he believed it will not seriously affect the amount of contributions. "I'm very optimistic," he said. "We may come close to reaching our goal. It (the recession) has affected some people, but some others have increased their donations."

Howard admitted, however, that more alumni are making excuses this year for not contributing. They are giving a number of reasons, including unemployment or the recent escalation in college tuition for their own children. "We're hearing this a great deal more," he said.

The amounts pledged by older alumni, in many cases, have not been greater than amounts pledged by younger alumni who have had less time to establish themselves financially, according to Howard.

"It's really not fair to say that older alumni are necessarily more receptive," said Howard, adding, "It's heartening to see that people who have graduated in the past three or four years have such a positive feeling toward the University."

Among those manning the phones in the fourth-floor Center room from 6:30 to 9:30 every weekday evening are members of campus organizations competing to raise money. The organization which raises the most money has a \$500 scholarship named in its honor.

The callers usually contact 70 to 80 alumni per week, working five nights a week. The average pledge is usually \$10, but some alumni have pledged as much as \$100.



Pam Meredith (left) and Karol Glick compete on behalf of the Program Board to raise money at the

George Calling telethon. GW hopes to raise \$1.5 million. (photo by Martha Howison)

... How About A Nickel?

Peleg Says Peace Depends On Egypt Non-Belligerency Pledge

by Norm Guthartz
Hatchet Staff Writer

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy failed to negotiate between Israel and Egypt last week because of Egypt's unwillingness to pledge nonbelligerency in exchange for the return of Israeli-held land, according to David Peleg of the Israeli Embassy.

Peleg, personal aide to Simcha Dinitz, the Israeli Ambassador to the United States, told a Center audience of about 40 people Tuesday that the Middle East peace conference in Geneva scheduled for

May will be an alternative to the aborted Kissinger negotiations.

Peleg said Israel was willing to give Egypt the Gidi and Milta passes in the Sinai, as well as the oil fields at Abu Radiz, in return for Egyptian promise not to resort to war. The passes provide the shortest, easiest route for tanks to reach the interior of Israel from the Suez canal.

Peleg said peace could not be reached in one step, but would require several stages of negotiations in which both sides would have to make concessions.

A pledge of non-belligerency by Egypt would entail issuing a formal declaration, followed by a lessening of Egypt's propaganda war against Israel and a normalization of economic relations between the two countries, according to Peleg. He added that Israel would be receptive to Egyptian suggestions for implementing the non-belligerency promise.

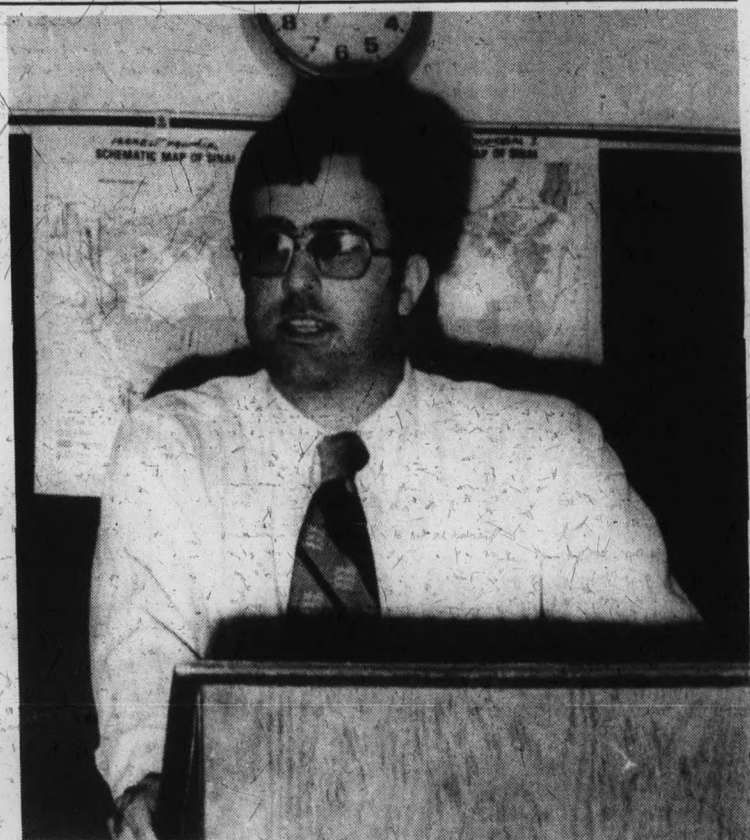
Peleg said Israel would be committing suicide if it returned parts of the Sinai Egypt wants without a guarantee of peace from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat. Egypt is interested in a "territorial continuity," according to Peleg, from which to attack the Israeli stronghold at Sharm El Sheikh, geographically situated to enable Israel to control the Gulf of Eilat.

With a promise of non-belligerency, Peleg said Israel would be willing to give Egypt control of those areas currently occupied by United Nations troops acting as a buffer between the two nations.

According to Peleg, the assassination of King Faisal of Saudi Arabia three days ago, would have no direct effect on future peace negotiations between Israel and the different Arab nations.

He characterized Saudi Arabia as a "non-democratic regime", saying it would be fruitless for Israel to conduct negotiations with an unstable government that could be swiftly over-turned by revolution.

Peleg said Israel would not participate in the Geneva Conference if the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) is allowed to send a delegation. He added, however, that Israel would negotiate with Palestinians not associate with the PLO.



David Peleg, of the Israeli Embassy, tells students his country would return lands to Egypt for a promise of non-belligerency. (photo by Martha Howison)

ISS Resolution Restructured Through Compromise Ruling

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Court of Appeals, a branch of the University judicial system which has not convened in more than two years. So far, neither side has decided whether or not to appeal.

At a three-hour hearing last Wednesday night, the Court said it would first decide whether it had jurisdiction to try an intra-organizational dispute. In its decision, the court agreed that jurisdiction over such matters was implied by the Judicial Document giving them their power.

After deciding they did have jurisdiction, the court discussed the merits of the case. Agreeing that the ISS resolution was "political," the court decided that it was not going to "become the ultimate interpreter" of the constitutional article Rosenheck claimed prohibited political resolutions, leaving this question to be resolved internally by ISS members themselves.

While the court recognized the precedent of the ISS executive committee issuing political documents, it declared "no precedent has been submitted to this Court wherein the Executive Committee claimed to represent the ISS membership."

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Trustees Uphold Right to Hold Closed Meetings

by Douglas Chandler
Hatchet Staff Writer

The average university trustee's insulation from students "makes it impossible for him to have any real contact with students," concludes a study of the composition of America's school trustees.

Whether valid or not, many students would agree with the report's assessment.

Three-fourths of the trustees are over fifty, and they are likely to be executives of manufacturing corporations, or banking or investment firms, the study revealed.

At GW, there have been repeated attempts to open the closed Board of Trustees meetings to the public and the press, and to seat a student as a trustee. These attempts have been met with opposition from both the trustees and the administration.

Articulating the administration's position on student trustees, GW President Lloyd H. Elliott said trustees should be "one-half step removed" from the issues they must vote on.

"The student has one perspective—that of the student," stated GW trustee Nancy Dudley, a GW graduate and the youngest member of the Board. "Supposedly, the trustee has a perspective that encompasses the views of the students, the faculty, and the administration."

This traditional view of college trusteeship, however, has been challenged. "Trusteeship seems at first glance a reasonably simple

concept," explained J.L. Zwingle and William V. Mayville in their booklet, *College Trustees: A Question of Legitimacy*. "A trustee 'holds in trust' something of value for the benefit of another person or groups of persons."

Still, Dudley argued, "If you put a student on the Board of Trustees, that student is going to have to vote on his own tuition."

Bob Chlopak, student representative to the Committee on Student Affairs, challenged this viewpoint. "I don't see anything that makes trustees any more fit to vote on a tuition increase than students," he said. "We are talking about one or two students on a Board of Trustees of 45 people."

Two students do serve in advisory capacities to the Board. Chlopak is one, and Bob Peck the other. Peck is a representative to the Committee on Academic Affairs. The two positions are one-year terms, and students must petition for the posts.

Chlopak, however, does not feel he has much power or input on the Board. Neither he nor Peck can vote on any issues that come before their committees, and both are barred from meetings of the full Board.

Both Chlopak and Peck are also disturbed about the secrecy of the Board meetings. "I really don't see any particular benefit in it [the Board] meeting in secrecy," Peck commented.

Chlopak had proposed that Board meetings

be open to the *Hatchet*, but "that was totally unacceptable to them [the trustees]," he said.

GW Public Relations Director John R. Wilson does sit in on most Board meetings and the *Hatchet* usually must rely on information transmitted by his office. "Naturally it is the role of the public relations director to select and give the best possible representation of the University, but I do consider the *Hatchet* a part of the University family," he said.

However, he said he does not inform the *Hatchet* of things that are not "timely or appropriate," such as financial negotiations that "have to be carried on in private."

The Administration and trustees employ three arguments against opening Board meetings. One concerns the need for confidentiality over personnel problems, which involve personalities, and over sensitive financial matters. A *Hatchet* column four years ago attempted to refute this point, noting that if the Board meetings were generally kept open, "there is nothing that prevents the Board from going into executive session" when these matters are discussed.

A second argument against open Board meetings is that the Board discusses very little of direct interest to the students. Most of the Board's work is done on committees, not at full Board meetings. "I don't think there is much to be secretive about," trustee Everett Bellows stated.

But if there is nothing to be secretive about, students should be allowed to judge for themselves what may or may not be of interest to them. The All-University Assembly proposal debated last October was of interest to the students, yet the Board meeting at which it was discussed—and voted down—was closed.

Those opposed to open Board meetings also contend that the presence of press and public would inhibit frank discussion of the issues. The Board of Trustees should "have the opportunity to sit down in private and hear reports from all parties and deliberate without that deliberation being spread the next day in the news," Elliott stated.

Students argue that as long as they pay tuition, they have a right to know how University trustees feel on any given matter and to know how their money is spent by the trustees.

"In refusing to admit students to meetings of the Board, the trustees are breaching the University's contract with students," a *Hatchet* columnist wrote four years ago.

"The Statement of Student Rights and Responsibilities states: 'The concern of students... legitimately extends beyond what has normally been considered student affairs,' the columnist observed. "When a student registers, he enters into a contract with the University and the statement is part of this contract."

New Scuba Course Is For Those Who Are Ready to Take Plunge

by Michelle Wesley
Hatchet Staff Writer

For those who like the idea of combining a hobby with academic work, a new GW course—scuba diving—might be just what they're looking for.

Scuba diving was started last semester by the College of General Studies (CGS) as an off campus course for beginners taught at the Washington YMCA every Monday evening by GW senior Ken Cotten. With its transfer from CGS to the School of Education, the course will be taught in the new Smith Center pool next fall.

Each week, Cotten gave hour-long lectures on scuba theory, and gave two-hour pool instruction to the 25 students the rest of the time.

In his lectures, Cotten taught students basic concepts in physics, biology, physiology and use of equipment.

Students participated in mask, snorkel and fins drills during the first couple of weeks of swimming sessions. They then learned to use buoyancy jackets which help maintain buoyancy in water. Cotten then taught students how to use tanks.

One exercise students were required to do was "ditch and don," which "is designed to incorporate the different things learned about handling gear in one exercise," Cotten said.

In "ditch and don," students must dive to the bottom of the pool, remove all gear, come to the top, then submerge again, put gear back on and return to the surface once more. This is practice for emergency situations.

After 17 lectures, students took a written final and, in addition, can take two optional open swim tests in outdoor, natural bodies of water. If they pass the final and the swim tests, they would become certified scuba divers.

Cotten is now teaching the advanced scuba class at the YMCA for the spring semester. It is still a part of the CGS.

Although the course is free, students still have to pay for equipment. Essentials are a 35-40 pound tank and a 15 pound belt which all cost \$50-\$150. Students also paid a lab fee of \$100.

Cotten explained that students learn each time they go out to dive. They must rely on common sense and general knowledge of the environment around them, before and while they are diving, in order to make it a successful endeavor. "Students must use their brains and have enough intelligence to determine whether they can participate in an activity," Cotten said.

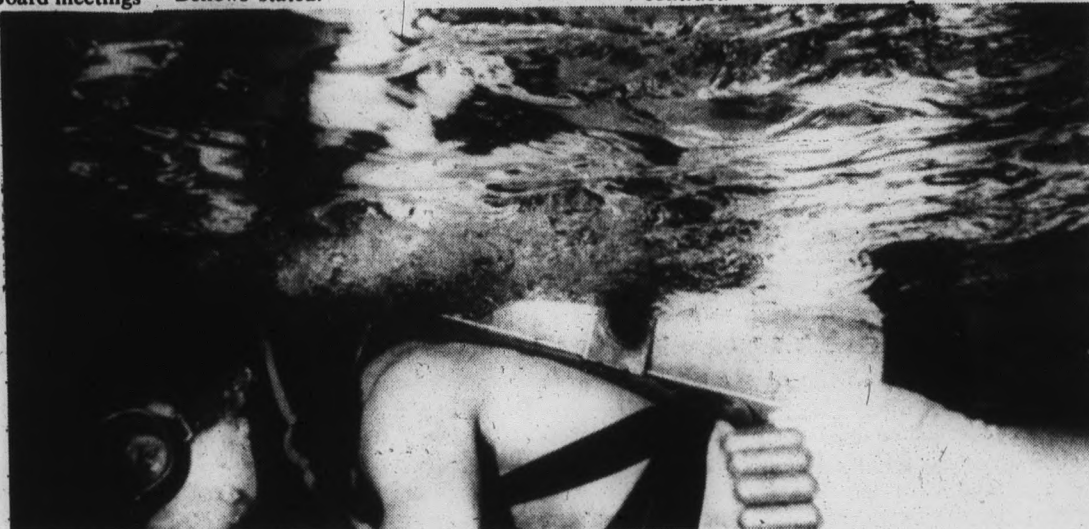
Whether students receive three hours credit for the course depends upon their majors. Biology, geology and oceanography majors and majors in the School of Education are automatically given credit. Others must petition in their respective departments.

"Scuba diving is a bus to take you where you want to go. Because of its sophistication, it takes education to use equipment safely," Cotten said. For that reason, he added, "this course is a tremendous amount of work and participation—but it's fun also."

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A student practices during a session of the scuba diving course now being offered at the YMCA by the College of General Studies. Although the course is free, students must spend up to \$250 for equipment and lab fees.

PB Committee Chairmen Picked

The executive committee of the Program Board announced its choices this week for next year's Program Board committee chairmen. The new chairmen will take office April 1.

Candidates submitted petitions to the executive committee, which reviewed the petitions and personally interviewed the candidates.

Co-chairmen were selected for some positions, as Program Board vice chairman Pam Meredith described some jobs as "too big for one person." She added that two chairmen may complement each other and divide time and responsibility between them.

Beverly Roberts and Sue Sirmay will head the Public Relations Committee. Gary Landsman and Brian Poole will chair the Social Committee.

Jim Morgan and Gordon Chanen will lead the Political Affairs Committee. Having worked on Capitol Hill for two years, Morgan is familiar with Washington politics, according to Meredith.

Karol Glick and Diane Baker, present chairmen of the Films/Video Committee and Performing Arts

Committee, respectively, will retain their positions next year. Glick plans to expand the Film Committee's video programming, setting up a videotape machine and showing a wide assortment of tapes at the Center information desk. Performing Arts programs next year will include a new concept termed "residences," described by Baker as contracting an artist to present programs and teach workshops here.

Alan Bugby, a graduate student who has had previous experience in programming concerts, will chair the Concert Committee. Also, the executive committee chose Karen Kaufman to oversee the Art Gallery.

Edward Golding will head the Committee on Special Programming (CSP), designed to arrange programming for minority students. Meredith said, "He seemed to have the best conception of why there is a CSP."

Meredith expressed the hope that the new board members will be able to change the Program Board's "cliquish" image. "We're just students programming for other students," she said. "We're not here to be an elite group. We want student input."

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ISS And the Court

The Student Court's decision on the five-month-old International Students' Society's internal turmoil brought the conflict surrounding the Society's executive committee's politically oriented resolution nearer to a conclusion, but did not put a lid on the dispute. The court, in a well reasoned opinion, set the stage for a definitive solution to the problems that have beset the ISS all year, but judiciously failed to provide it. Instead, the Court wisely gave ISS members on both sides of the issue the opportunity to resolve the matter internally, and, in fact, virtually asked them to. The court opinion stated that the debate "appears to be a question most properly decided by the members of ISS, those most acutely aware of the purposes and aspirations of the Society."

Despite its failure to resolve the issue to the complete satisfaction of anyone involved, the Court did establish important precedents for future conflicts, furthered its image as a responsible and much-needed body, and offered the membership of ISS a feasible resolution to their resolution woes. The court, after declaring the executive committee's resolution to be political but refusing to become the "ultimate interpreter" of the impact or constitutionality of that decision, suggested that the membership "issue its own resolution, adopt a by-law, adopt a constitutional amendment, or elect new officers pledged to the position of the majority."

Similar suggestions have already been offered, including those appearing in this column. However, none were suggested with such force and none that were solicited by *both* sides of conflict. Neither side should be willing to allow the court's half-way, compromise measure to stand, as both seem to have fallen far short of their intended goals. It is imperative that they attempt to reconcile their differences together so that the ISS will not be composed of two distinct and dichotomous groups, the general membership—which has yet to organize itself fully enough to know what it wants and doesn't want—and the executive committee—which has adamantly refused to budge from its self-deemed status of omnipotence.

Edwin L. Stevens

President Lloyd Elliott told the Faculty Senate last month that Edwin L. Stevens "has earned and held the respect...of all parts of the University" in his 28 years of dedicated service to GW. Stevens, former chairman of the Senate's Executive Committee, has also provided students and faculty alike with dedication, responsible leadership and scholastic expertise.

His term on the Faculty Senate expires Monday, and his presence on that most distinguished body will be greatly missed. Stevens, the first faculty member to serve on a standing committee of the Board of Trustees, will leave a significant void in University governance but will undoubtedly continue to serve the GW community.

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Mark A. Shiffrin

The Worship of Politicians

If there was one thing which we could thank Richard Nixon for, thought I, it was the fact that he had shown us all, in perhaps too graphic a form, that public officials are human. After careful consideration, I admit that I was erroneous in my judgement.

I learned the error of my view the other evening. It all started when my roommate called my attention to the fact that the President was coming to the F Street Club, a short jaunt from St. Elizabeth's Annex, Thurston Hall, an alleged university dormitory of which I am an inmate.

Being the true *Hatchet* staffer I am, I leaped down the stairs in a single bound, almost breaking my neck in Clark Kent-like pursuit of a story. What ensued was rather interesting.

I thought that I might see five Thurston autograph hounds waiting for their Presidential prey. Instead I saw a couple hundred GW students, not to mention more than a half-dozen Secret Service cars, the President's Lincoln Continental, a few D.C. police cars, a platoon of motorcycles and a score of Secret Servicemen who were about as enigmatic as measles.

I can understand why one might be casually interested in seeing the President of the United States. But in light of all that we have learned from the recent blue streak of political scandals, should we so venerate any one man in a position of public trust?

I learned that evening why the President has so much Secret Service protection. Without all that protection from the lemming-like crush on his car, he actually might never have made it back to the White House.

The recent imperialization of public officials and public office is ludicrous. I can understand why some of our clear-headed brethren yearn for the days when they could receive a letter from the President instead of from the President's Autopen. It has even become a rarity today when a Congressman signs his own mail.

We have done everything possible to insulate our high public servants from their humanity. We have made them demi-gods. The results are less than favorable.

The fact is that public officials are public servants, and while I'm all for treating servants well, I must

question the wisdom of treating our servants so well that they come to think of themselves as better than their employers and, as is too often the case, the bosses rather than the bossed.

A Maryland state legislator alleges that Gov. Marvin Mandel's income from the state—including the all-important perquisites of power—adds up to several hundred thousand tax dollars. The President has so many "personal aides" (to be read "valets") that I wonder not only whether he can still fix his own breakfast, but whether or not he even ties his own shoes. There are limits to justified luxury at the public expense.

However, these limits will not be realized so long as we treat our Presidents as kings, members of Congress as princes, and governors as feudal lords.

To those who stood out in front of the F Street Club to venerate a mortal who, they have often indicated to me, they dislike in the Oval Office, I can only suggest that they have been wasting their time with their homage. The President—as is every public official—is first, last, and always a human being. He isn't God, and I can assure you, that, if anything, he is not more than a good leader.

Rather than being a Messiah, Gerald Ford is a mortal leading a nation as its servant, subject to the will of his employers. I would ask the masses who mobbed the man in search of a Presidential wink or a handshake or an autograph when they last mobbed a servant with such great veneration.

Granted, we *should* respect the man; regardless of our politics, we owe him some thanks for what he is trying to do on our behalf. But we should respect and thank him as a man, not an idol. There should be limits to the veneration. He isn't an object to regard as a curiosity, he is a man to regard with whatever mortal homage his actions have led us to regard him with.

We've been spending a lot to protect the President. When he came to the F Street Club, a street was closed and a massive commotion costing a massive amount of our tax dollars was created. Maybe it is time that we no longer have to spend that kind of money, that we start treating men as men and not as Messiahs.

Bev Roberts

Critique of the Convention

It does rain a lot in D.C., but should some delegates to the Constitutional Convention create a student government just to be an umbrella to cover and control the Program Board, Governing Board, Residence Hall Association, Medical School Council, Student Bar Association, and as many other organizations they deem proper to include?

It must first be decided how included these organizations are going to be. Many student organizations serve the direct interests of an active and involved membership. They are not going to want to subordinate themselves to an assortment of people who were selected by perhaps 50 or 75 signatures (which represent nothing more than someone collaring his friends.)

There is no reason why a Student Government should have to take note of an interest-oriented student organization, unless it is demonstrable that this group is in some way interfering with the student body at large.

GW is two-thirds a graduate university, and most graduate students are too tied to their professional and outside worlds to play an active role in student government. They cannot be expected to get deeply involved in an organization that by its very nature must be basically focused on campus social life. A forty-year-old engineering student is not going to accept a mandatory student activities fee.

In the past, registering students were offered an optional student activities coupon booklet. This same practice is presently in effect at Georgetown University. It leaves the decision to participate up to the student, and it also inspires effective programming, since you have to have something to sell.

Too many people at this convention have been going overboard in making rules for other people. We are the product of a culture in which government is seen as a necessary evil. More in the way of rules and regulations than is required to provide a forum in which interested students may express and discuss their views is at once ridiculous and an infringement on the rights of the majority of students.

Already convention members, including myself, are arguing over who is going to control what. We may all want to build up our Brownie points as would-be members of the Bar, as our committee reports have revealed and show how good we are at running things. But GW students did not issue such an invitation.

It should be kept in mind that this is the students' constitutional convention and that we as delegates are only some of the students.

Beverly Roberts

(Bev Roberts is a delegate to the Constitutional Convention and was recently named Co-Chairperson of the Public Relations Committee of the Program Board.)

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Letters

Busing: Speaking from Experience

In addition to Prousalis's comments of March 20 regarding the necessity of busing, I'd like to offer a view concerning the issue.

In 1967, the Escambia County School District of northwestern Florida began a fairly rapid program of desegregation. The immediate response, as school board officials expected, was outrage. Parents and community leaders, as well as many teachers, quickly and scathingly criticized the process. With furor they cried, "No kid of mine will be bused downtown to those burrhead-run schools." Similar comments continued throughout the actual desegregating of Escambia County schools.

After desegregation was completed, racial tensions seemed to surface. "Blacks and whites," maintained the foes of busing, "simply cannot be educated if they have to be bused to other than their neighborhood schools."

Despite fervent protests, school board officials upheld Escambia County school system's desegregation program. In short, busing was continued.

Rather than attending a middle school near my parent's home, I was bused several miles to a 54 per cent white, 46 per cent black middle school. There I did what was expected of me, never actually realizing the larger significance of why I was being bused.

I finished middle school and started high school at a predominantly black inner-city school. During my senior year at that school, I became involved with the Escambia County Coalition, an organization which worked jointly with a local chapter of the NAACP when matters regarding civil rights

developed. Through my involvement with the ECC, I began to realize the significance of busing.

Since desegregation began in 1967, construction work on Escambia County schools has more than tripled. In addition, a tremendous increase in audio-visual equipment, as well as library materials, has taken place. Photo labs have sprouted, and books continually pour into the school district's libraries. In short, the quality of education has been greatly enhanced. Equally important, cultural exchanges have taken place, and avenues leading to better racial relations have opened.

Narrowed down, the improvements in Escambia County's school system stem from the school board's compliance with busing and desegregation procedures.

Federal appropriations, of course, created the actual improvements. Without desegregation and busing fully implemented, however, these federal funds could not have been obtained. Escambia County schools, in other words, could have crumbled.

I agree with Prousalis. I've simply presented a different view. Many parents oppose busing unjustly and under the pretext of wanting "freedom of choice" regarding public schools. This is true in both the North and the South. My experience leads me to believe that racism underlies an anti-busing advocate's desire for "neighborhood schools." I feel that neighborhood schools can only hinder and thwart desegregation. The result would be socially and educationally disastrous. And a minority would suffer—somebody's kid.

Bill Poe

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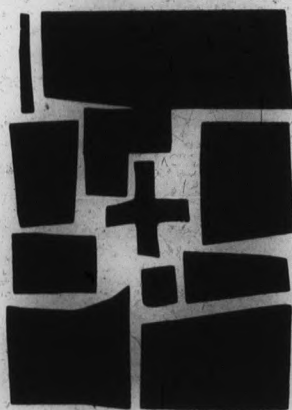
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Tenure Causes Concern To Junior Members Of Faculty

by Brian Berson
Hatchet Staff Writer

A major concern of every young college instructor is obtaining tenure, a safeguard set up by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in 1938 to protect seasoned (and often relatively expensive) teachers from dismissal or even from non-renewal of their contracts.

Even though political science Prof. John Morgan said of his experience in receiving tenure: "I was completely unaware that the decision was being made....I guess that I was sure I had met the criteria involved," he admitted that junior faculty members do have cause to be concerned about tenure.

"It does involve a judgment on the part of others as to whether the criteria for tenure has been met," said Morgan, "and with the labor market in its current state...."

According to AAUP's principles of tenure, set up in 1940 and applied somewhat flexibly, after seven years an instructor must either be granted tenure or be dismissed. The decision on tenure must be made by the end of the sixth year, to provide a year's notice if tenure is not granted. Tenure can only be granted to faculty members, not administrators or other University employees.

Theoretically, faculty members can be granted tenure at any time between their first and seventh years, but most wait five or six years before they get it.

However, in cases where a new faculty member has had previous teaching experience, his initial contract will call for a probationary period of not more than four years, cutting three years off the waiting time normally required for tenure.

Each academic department makes the recommendations on the tenure of its own junior faculty members. Decisions are made by a committee composed of associate and full professors.

The criteria for granting tenure, which varies little from department

to department, usually consists of teaching competence, research activity, University and community service, and participation in departmental committees and tasks.

Although the Dean of the college or division has the authority to deny tenure after the departmental committee recommends it, this option has rarely, if ever, been used.

Once a faculty member has been granted tenure, it is extremely difficult to terminate or refuse to renew his contract. Only in cases of extreme unfitness (incompetence, persistent neglect of academic duties, etc.) or extraordinary financial difficulties on the part of the University is it possible to dismiss a tenured professor.

When someone brings charges against a tenured professor, which happens rarely, the University Code provides for several stages of attempted compromise before a standing Hearing Committee of the Faculty Senate, which makes a generally adhered to recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

"The compromise provisions have worked very well," said Carl Wal-

ther, assistant vice-president for Academic Affairs. "Usually, the few cases of that sort are solved in the first stage," he said.

In the case of extreme financial difficulties, according to economics Prof. Robert Dunn, "tenure holds only as long as the position exists. If a department folds, so do the tenures of its members."

One aspect of the tenure system, according to physics department chairman Prof. Herman Hobbs, is that if one university does not give an instructor tenure after six years, the school he moves to would have to make the decision on tenure shortly after hiring him. This can make it difficult for the non-tenured instructor to find another job.

Tight departmental budgets mean that newly tenured faculty members rarely receive a raise or promotion as an added bonus. Hobbs said he thinks this is more a characteristic of the profession than of the times.

"In the old days," he said, "one of my old friends received a promotion without a salary raise. They told him they didn't want to give him too many good things at once."

Socialist Says Racism Result of Profit Drive



John Hillson
"Racism is a material drive"

John Hillson, National Committee member of the Young Socialist Alliance, told a small audience in the Center Tuesday that "racism is not an ideology but a material drive," and attacked President Ford for his defense of Boston's anti-busing forces.

By supporting the anti-busing movement, Hillson said, Ford is participating in what Hillson labeled a mass effort to undermine the rights of blacks and Puerto Ricans.

Opponents of school integration use "code words and pretty phrases such as 'separate but equal,'" which, he said, "just don't cut it anymore."

The "bigots of segregation," he added, work hard to keep blacks out of Boston's School Councils and administrative positions in the school system. Hillson claimed the whites involved in the anti-busing fight had been brainwashed to believe blacks are inferior.

Hillson said that the brainwashing permits white bosses to get away with discrimination. "Whites still make 33 per cent more [money] than blacks," he said, explaining that if blacks were given equal status, whites would lose a portion of profits to blacks. "Profits must be ended," Hillson declared. "They are what cause racism."

Hillson named socialism as the solution to racism. The "massive and incredibly powerful" civil rights movement and the rising dissent of blacks, he said, contribute to racial equality. "You can feel it [the racist structure] all come down," he cried. Hillson said he feels "the talent exists in the American people" to halt racism.

"A counter-movement must be built," he said, "but you don't have to be a socialist to fight for the rights of Americans."

Mitchell Misses Much Quiet As Air System Is Installed

As the May 20 deadline to end major construction on Mitchell Hall's new central heating and air-conditioning system nears, residents continue to complain about noise, dirt, and invasion of privacy.

The last phase of construction in the rooms is slated to end temporarily on April 18 and not resume until after finals. This phase includes running a pipe from a cooling unit above the doorway of each room to a pipe beneath the sink and vanity to drain off condensation from the dehumidifier. To install the pipelines, workers must drill through a closet wall, and because of the resulting dirt students have had to remove everything from their closet in order to protect belongings.

The closet drilling has generated a new wave of protest from Mitchell residents, according to Resident Director Kathy Miller. Miller said students "are pretty well split on the invasion of privacy."

Many residents complained that they have been awakened by the drilling and forced to leave by workers entering their rooms early in the morning. "If they're getting students out of bed, we should at least have the right to tell them to come back later," a senior said.

"Some balancing factor must be there between residents and workmen," commented John Bohen, assistant director of Housing. Bohen added that the workers' superintendents instructed them not to enter a room before 9:30 a.m.

After a worker has finished drilling in a closet, he must sweep the area clean before students replace their belongings. Bohen said he had received complaints that workers left several students the job of cleaning their own closets, and he in turn spoke to the construction superintendents, who remedied the problem.

Despite these precautions, residents continue to complain. Bohen felt, however that in the face of a difficult situation, "the bulk of the residents in that [Mitchell] hall have been extra tolerant."

Arts and Entertainment



Joanne Hrkach and John Pruessner portray Rosalind and Orlando in a scene from *As You Like It*, now playing thru March 29 at the Center Theatre.

GW Movies Of The Week

Konrad Wolff, chairman of the State Council of the Arts in East Germany, will present two films at the Center Ballroom on Sunday, March 30. Beginning at 5:30 p.m. Wolff will screen his two films, *Stars*, and the autobiographical *I Became Nineteen*. In between the films, Wolff will deliver a lecture. This program is free and is open to the general public. There will be a reception following the program.

On Friday, March 28, *The Great Dictator* starring Charlie Chaplain, will be shown in the Center Ballroom, at 7, 9, & 11 p.m. Admission will be 75 cents.

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"As You Like It": "A Mess"

by Scott Bliss

*Turning and turning in widening gyre
The falcon cannot hear the falconer:
Things fall apart; the centre cannot hold;
Mere anarchy is loosed upon the world...*

One can be fairly certain that, when William Butler Yeats wrote these lines, he was not thinking of any sort of dramatic criticism. Unfortunately, however, they sum up quite well the University Theatre's current production of William Shakespeare's *As You Like It*.

The falconer, in this case, is director Joan Thiel, and her efforts to bring Shakespeare to the GW stage hardly merit the somewhat dignified expression "mere anarchy." In plain English, *As You Like It* is an unholy mess. This is not only regrettable, but also unnecessary, since she has a good deal of high-quality raw material to work with. Given Bradley Sabelli's impressive set, Paul Parady's properly bucolic costumes, Robert Cohen's effective lighting, and a reasonably talented cast, one could expect more than the uneven, disjointed production which is the final product of Thiel's labor.

Certainly, part of the problem lies in the inherent difficulties of producing Shakespeare with a college cast. It is no easy thing to accustom relatively inexperienced actors to the eccentricities of Elizabethan English. In this, Thiel has, for the most part, succeeded; everyone seems to know what he is saying most of the time. In accomplishing this, however, Thiel has apparently spent far too little time on several other aspects of the play. The result is a sad lack of continuity. While the actors deliver their lines to good effect, managing to stay in character (no small feat, considering 17th Century vocabulary, not to mention syntax, is somewhat foreign to contemporary American ears), it is an unfortunate fact that competent acting by itself cannot salvage a production deficient in so many other respects.

The most obvious defect of the play is the pacing. The production actually runs for approximately two and a half hours; at times, it seems to go on forever.

The unquestioned nadir of the performance, aside from the pacing, is the music. While the singing is, at best, sloppily amateurish, the instrumental interludes are criminal. Although it can be argued (not very convincingly) that this lends a realistic tone to the play, it hardly adds to the audience's appreciation and it is positively guaranteed to antagonize anyone who truly appreciates music.

On the brighter side, there are several performances worthy of note. Foremost among these is Joanne Hrkash, in the role of Rosalind. Hrkash has a rare quality of personal magnetism which shines through brilliantly on the stage, drawing every eye to her.

Sherry Nehmer, as Celia, continues to present the high quality of acting one has come to expect from her. Her facial expressions and gestures, in combination with her faultless delivery, show high promise of one who will go far in a dramatic career. Needless to say, the combination of Hrkash and Nehmer is a compelling one. In fact, it would not be too much to say that their combined scenes are the high points of the production.

As Rosalind's and Celia's companions in love, John Pruessner and Mark Donovan (Orlando and Oliver respectively) acquit themselves quite well. Both are newcomers to major roles on the GW stage, and it is refreshing to see that new talent is continually being found for the University Theatre. Of particular merit is their fight scene in the first act, where one can almost feel the hate emanating from the stage.

To discuss a performance of *As You Like It* without mentioning the rustic characters would truly be unthinkable. Among these, Lucile Hood, in the role of Audrey, stands out. She gives a strong, credible, and highly comic performance, and seems completely at ease with her part.

In summation, therefore, *As You Like It* is a play whose considerable potential is frittered away by an excessive attention to detail and not enough time spent on perfecting the overall effect. One can only mourn this shameful waste.

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Colonial Netmen Down Howard For First Win

by Larry Olmstead
Hatchet Staff Writer

In their home debut, the GW tennis team collected their first spring victory, decisively defeating Howard by a count of 6-3. While the Bison are no powerhouse, the victory was important as the Colonials received many encouraging performances.

Despite the fact that fourth singles player Mitch Sussman has been playing the most consistent tennis for the Colonials, he was the days only Buff singles loser by virtue of falling to Michael Anthony in three sets, 4-6, 7-5, 6-0. All of the other Colonials won in straight sets except for third singles Nick Phillips. In a heated match that was highlighted by several disagreements over calls, the scrappy Phillips survived five second set match points before turning back Howard's Israel King, 5-7, 7-6, 6-3.

The Colonials were without the services of Martin Black, who received a one match suspension for walking out of the Colgate match last weekend, and Marshall Parke, who came up with a tired arm following his Herculean effort against Colgate on Saturday. But their absence was hardly noticeable, as Jim Hendrick and Ira Friedman came off the bench to provide impressive straight set victories.

For Friedman, who is coming off a back injury, the two 6-0 tennis clinics he gave to Howard's Jerome Willingham have to be the best possible cure.

Just about the only negative note for the Buff was that Per Carlsson was feeling ill following his singles win against Grayling Bryan. Carlsson had to leave, forcing GW to default a doubles match. GW had to shuffle their team alignment, but did manage to split the doubles competition.

Hublitz and Hendrick, who filled in for Carlsson, defeated Howard's King and Anthony, 6-4, 6-1, but the match started getting boring when the frustrated Bison players started concentrating more on hitting the ball at Hublitz and Hendrick than over the net.

The better match was the one between GW's Sussman and Friedman and Howard's Jesse Holt and D'Juan Cotton. The third set of the match featured six service breaks, and was decided on the ninth and final point of a 6-6 tiebreaker. The last volley by a Howard player hit the line, and Colonial Mitch Sussman, who like George Washington cannot tell a lie, called the ball in, giving Howard the victory.

The victory gives the Colonials a 5-3 overall record, counting last fall's performance. Today, GW has an away match against Delaware. Martin Black, whose attitude reportedly has improved, and Marshall Parke, whose arm should have rested will most likely return to the Buff lineup. The next home match is at Hains Point on Saturday against M.I.T.



Justifiable Homicide, shown above against Zyblon, could be in the B-1 IM finals tonight at 9 p.m. The A League championship is at 10 p.m. (photo by Martha Howison)

Soccer Trials; Crews Shipshape

The GW soccer team will hold spring practice and tryouts of all GW undergraduates this Saturday, March 29, at 10:15 a.m. Meet in the Locker Room, 2125 G St. For further information call the athletic office (676-6650).

The GW baseball team will take on Frostburg State in a doubleheader Friday. The first game is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. at the West Ellipse.

The optimistic and dedicated GW women's crew will take to the water

by Neil Eiseman
Hatchet Staff Writer

In a game so hampered by poor weather and a lack of GW pitchers that it was never completed, American University defeated the Colonials, 10-2, yesterday at the Ellipse.

Coach Bill Smith forfeited the game to the Eagles in the bottom of the fifth inning after he decided that it was useless to continue. At that point, the Buff were down by eight runs and out off pitchers. Smith had already used two infielders, Alan Johnson and Mike Thaxton, as pitchers.

"We're hurting because a lot of our pitchers have sore arms," said Smith, who has been forced to move players from their normal positions and use them as hurlers.

Normally, the Buff have four starting pitchers. But, since Mark Childs dislocated his left shoulder playing intramural football last winter, he has complained of a sore arm; Doug Cushman, who pitched in Tuesday's 16-2 thrashing by Richmond, has also complained that it hurts when he throws; and that leaves Pat O'Connell, the starting pitcher in yesterday's game, and Craig Floyd to handle the bulk of the pitching.

The Buff found themselves in deep trouble early in yesterday's game as O'Connell had control problems in the first inning. After he gave up a run on a walk and a double, American loaded the bases. O'Connell then proceeded to walk the next three batter, forcing in three more Eagle runs.

American then scored three more runs, two of them coming on double by second baseman Ron Riley, before O'Connell was relieved by Johnson. GW's rifle-armed third baseman retired the side without giving up any runs, but American had already accumulated a 7-0 lead.

The Buff fought back scoring a run in the second when Arnie

Grubel, the Eagle first baseman, dropped a pop fly, enabling Larry Cushman to rush home from third base.

The Colonials scored again in the third when Joel Oleinik tripled and Cushman singled him home. But the Eagles just about ruined any ideas that the Buff might have had in rallying when they scored three runs in the top of the fourth.

Smith is troubled because of the changes he has been forced to make. He would like to see more people try out for the baseball team. "We don't get enough student athletes to come out," he said. "We're just going to have to make the best of what we've got." There were only two walk-on players that made this year's squad.



Kevin Ziegler, shown here swinging against Rochester, and the rest of his Colonial teammates have been having their troubles this season. They forfeited Tuesday to American (photo by Martha Howison)

Schaefer Classic Berth At Stake IM Hoop Championships Tonight

The GW Intramural playoffs, which started with a field of 52 squads, get down to the nitty gritty tonight when two surviving teams in each of the three leagues do battle for their respective championships.

In A League action the undefeated Slam Dunk will take on the much improved Cruex at 10 p.m. tonight in the Men's Gym. Slam Dunk is led by Colonial assistant basketball coach Lenny Baltimore and Brad Stevens, who scored 14 points in the Dunk's 60-58 last second victory over 714 Tuesday night. Cruex reached the finals by beating the Cardinals 54-37. Paul MacMahon led the way with 17 points.

The B-1 League, which had its

semifinals last night, has four teams vying for the championship. Justifiable Homicide, which won the law school tourney, did battle last night with HCA Law, led by Stan Jonas and Ed Moore.

In the other semifinal last night, Ex-Techs took on Yu's Guys. The Techs are led by Jeff Dworetz, who hit for 14 points in Tech's 32-21 win over Off. The B-2 championship is scheduled to take place tonight at 9 p.m.

The B-2 title is up for grabs between four equally matched teams and will be decided tonight in an 8 p.m. contest.

There will probably be a playoff sometime Friday between the A and B-1 champions to determine who will represent GW in the Schaefer Classic to be held at the University of Maryland this weekend. The GW team will play the first round match against the top team from Prince George's Community College. Last year GW's representative was eliminated in the opening round of the classics.

The winners from each GW league will receive team jerseys plus a trophy and a case of beer. The

runners-up will also receive a team trophy.

An MVP from each league will also be chosen by the referees and IM officials. They will also pick an all-star team from each league.

Results

In A League:

Cruex 54
Cardinals 37
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Ex-Techs 32
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